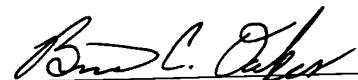


REMARKS

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above noted claim cancellation and additions. By this amendment, claim 1 has been canceled and claims 2-20 have been added, thus claims 2-20 are now pending in the application. Applicant respectfully submits that no new matter has been added and requests consideration and allowance of the application.

While the present application is now believed to be in condition for allowance, should the Examiner find some issue to remain unresolved, or should any new issues arise which could be eliminated through discussions with Applicant's representative, then the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone in order that the further prosecution of this application can thereby be expedited.

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